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MINIMUM PRICES CURRENTLY SUPPORTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE 1/

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INTRODUCTION

This report summarizes the minimum prices which are currently being supported by several programs in the United States Department of Agriculture. The only programs included in the summary are those which provide for purchases, loans, or similar operations to prevent the price of a commodity falling below a definite, stated level. No attempt is made to summarize all price-supporting programs of the Department. In addition to the programs summarized here, the Department is supporting the prices of farm products through the Food Stamp Program and through several purchase and diversion operations administered by the Agricultural Marketing Administration as well as acreage allotment and marketing and quota programs administered by the Agricultural Conservation and Adjustment Administration.

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Commodity	Method of support	Prospective duration of support	Market area, point or market at which support is established	Level at which prices are or will be supported, if support is necessary
Shell eggs	Prices will be supported at stated levels by AMA purchases on the unmodified offer and acceptance basis for operations; on the egg exchange; changes if such support proves necessary. In the Southern States purchases will be made on an announced price basis.	Current operations can be considered to be on a procurement basis inasmuch as the current prices of shell eggs are above the announced support level. Should prices fall below 85 percent of parity, the AMA is pledged to support egg prices until June 30, 1943.	Eggs of specified grades are purchased throughout the United States. Size of lots accepted, however, vary to secure greater volume and efficiency in delivery. Transcontinental shipments must consist of not less than 624 cases; shipments from Southern States located west of the Appalachian mountains are accepted in lots as small as 10 cases; where the desired deliveries and movements of local surpluses; however, remainder of the United States must consist of at least 400 cases.	The level at which prices will be supported is at not less than 85 percent of parity. As this level is considerably below current prices, present purchases can be considered to be on a procurement basis. As 85 percent of parity applies to the United States price received by farmers the support will permit local differentials from that level. In the South purchases of small lots are made at announced prices which are set high enough, presumably, to bring about the desired deliveries and movements of local surpluses; however, cooperation with the southern program has been hesitant.
Chickens	Prices will be supported at stated levels by purchases to the limit of funds available in the USDA for this purpose if such support proves necessary.	Prices will be supported through June 30, 1943, if such a level as to reflect the desired United States average price to farmers.	Price levels are being or will be supported at 85 percent of parity. Currently no purchases of chicken are being made as presumably prices are above 85 percent of parity and there is no need for a procurement program. The price-support level is the average price received by United States farmers; hence the price support will permit local price differentials from 85 percent of parity.	Price levels are being or will be supported at 85 percent of parity. Currently no purchases of chicken are being made as presumably prices are above 85 percent of parity and there is no need for a procurement program. The price-support level is the average price received by United States farmers; hence the price support will permit local price differentials from 85 percent of parity.

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<u>Dairy products</u>				
Butter	Prices are being supported, if necessary, through the remainder of 1942. A new support policy is contemplated for the winter of 1942-43.		The support applies at the Chicago market with purchases also being made at New York, San Francisco, and other terminal markets adjusted from 36 cents according to differentials.	Butter prices are being or will be supported if necessary, at 36 cents per pound at Chicago with support prices at New York, San Francisco, and other terminal markets adjusted from 36 cents according to customary differentials.
<u>Evaporated milk, dry skim milk, and cheese</u>				
	Prices are or will be supported, if necessary, through June 30, 1943.		The support applies to purchases of cheese on the Cheese Exchange, at Plymouth, Wis. and to plant purchases of cheese, dried skim, and evaporated milk on an f.o.b. plant packed-for-export price.	Prices are being or will be supported at 85 percent of parity. Current purchases are being conducted on a procurement basis at prices somewhat above 85 percent of parity. As a part of the procurement program, prices are adjusted between the various products to secure the needed production of each product, which, in effect, is close to price support.
<u>Corn</u>				
	1941 crop	1941 crop	1941 crop	1941 crop
	Loans were and are being made by CCC on corn at designated levels.	CCC loans are available from December 1941 to September 30, 1942. Loans on 1941 corn are 3-year loans which will mature on or before August 1, 1944. Loans may be redeemed at any time at 3 percent interest. Corn sealed before April 1, 1942 may be delivered in:	The loan rate varies among commercial corn areas according to usual price differentials. A special loan value has been established for corn in the commercial area along the Atlantic seaboard.	Corn loan values vary from 69 to 79 cents per bushel, according to usual price differentials, in the central commercial corn area, and are 84 cents per bushel in the Atlantic seaboard commercial area. These rates average 74.8 cents per bushel for the entire commercial corn area. The loan rate in the non-commercial corn counties ranges from 52 to 63 cents per bushel and

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Corn				
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		settlement during August, September or October 1942.		averages 75 percent of the average loan rate in the commercial corn area, as required by the Agricultural Adjustment Act.
		Corn sealed on or after April will not be accepted until corresponding months in 1943. CCC pays: a 4 cents per bushel storage charge to loanees: on corn stored at the farm until August 1, 1943.		
		1942 crop	1942 crop	
	CCC loans will be made at designated levels.	The specific program for 1942 has not been announced as yet.	The specific program for 1942 has not been announced as yet.	The CCC loan value of corn will not be less than 85 percent of parity.
Cotton				
	Loans will be made on the 1942 crop by CCC at designated levels.	The specific program for 1942 has not been announced as yet. Loans on the 1941 crop were discontinued May 1.		Loans will be made on a level no lower than 85 percent of parity as of August 1, 1942. Premiums and discounts for the 1942 cotton loan program were announced in February on such a basis as to encourage production of cotton 1-1/8 inches or longer.
Wheat				
	Loans will be made at stated levels by CCC and will be administered by county agricultural conservation committees.	Loans will be available through December 31, 1942: security of warehouse receipts for wheat stored in that manner or on the approval of a chattel mortgage for farm-stored wheat made on May 2 made the above effective.	Loans will be made on the security of warehouse receipts for wheat stored in that manner or on the security of a chattel mortgage for farm-stored wheat. Growers complying with allotments will be eligible for the full	The level at which loans on wheat will be made is such as to reflect a price of approximately \$1.14 on the average to farmers, which is, supposedly, 85 percent of parity. Specific loan values at selected terminal markets follow:

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Commodity	Method of support	Prospective duration of support	Market area, point or market at which support is established	Level at which prices are or will be supported, if support is necessary	Market, grade and type	Price per bushel
Wheat (Contd.)			loan on their regular crops and for 1/2 the regular loan on excesses from harvesting volunteer wheat. Noncooperators will be eligible for loans at 60 percent of the regular rate on the wheat which would be subject to penalty if marketed. Noncooperators will not receive loans on the amount of wheat constituting their quota.		No. 2 Hard Winter at Kansas City	1.27
					at Omaha	1.27
					at Chicago	1.32
					at Gulf Points	1.34
					No. 1 Soft White at Portland	1.21
					No. 2 Red Winter at Chicago	1.32
					at St. Louis	1.32
					No. 1 Dark Northern Spring at Minneapolis	1.32
					Seven cents per bushel will be advanced to farmers storing wheat on farms to cover cost of new storage construction and repairs of old storage space. Redemption of the wheat requires repayment of this	
					7 cents per bushel.	
Rice	The United States average	No specific program has been announced for the 1942 rice crop except the guarantee of the USDA that prices of the five basic commodities will be supported at 85 percent of parity through June 30, 1943.				
	farm price of the 1942 rice					
	crop will be supported at stated levels.					
	In the 1941 marketing					

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Rice				
(Contd.)	season the United States average prices received by farmers for rice was considerably above the loan level; hence, no loans were made:			
Tobacco	1941 crop Prices are being supported by purchases and CCC loans to producer associations in case of flue-cured tobacco or dealers at stated levels. Loans direct to producers have also been authorized:	1941 crop Loans have been or are being made on the 1941 crop to mature not later than June 30, 1943 in the case of flue-cured tobacco not later than October 1, 1943 with respect to other types.	1941 crop Loans are being made to associations of producers and to dealers. The demands of foreign buyers have been above parity. Loans to United States exporters have been maintained at market prices which have been above parity. Loans to United States exporters have been maintained at 85 percent of parity while loans to noncooperators are made at 60 percent of the rate to cooperators, such loans to noncooperators being limited to tobacco in excess of the quota. In practice, virtually all loans are being made through associations and dealers at 85 percent of parity.	1941 crop Purchases of foreign buyers and United States exporters have been maintained at market prices which have been above parity. Loans to United States exporters have been maintained at 85 percent of parity while loans to noncooperators are made at 60 percent of the rate to cooperators, such loans to noncooperators being limited to tobacco in excess of the quota. In practice, virtually all loans are being made through associations and dealers at 85 percent of parity.
	1942 crop Prices will be supported at through the 1942 marketing season. as for the 1941 crop.	1942 crop Prices will be supported through the 1942 marketing season.	1942 crop The specific program for the 1942 crop has not been announced as yet.	1942 crop Prices will be supported at 85 percent of the United States parity price

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Commodity	Method of support	Prospective duration of support	Market area, point or market at which support is established	Level at which prices are or will be supported, if support is necessary
<u>Rye</u>	CCC will make loans at stated value levels to producers.	Loans will be made on the 1942 crop and will mature on demand but not later than April 30, 1943.	Loans will be made to producers complying with the regulations of the Soil Conservation programs at the same level at all locations either on the basis of a warehouse receipt or chattel mortgage, if stored at the farm.	The loan rate on rye at all locations will be 60 cents a bushel on rye grading No. 2 or better. If stored in warehouses the storage charges must be prepaid by the producer or a 7 cents per bushel reduction will be made.
<u>Barley</u>	Loans will be made by CCC at stated price levels.	Loans will be made on the 1942 crop and will mature on demand but not later than April 30, 1943.	Loans will be made to eligible producers throughout the U.S. on the security of a warehouse receipt or on the security of a chattel mortgage in the case of farm-stored barley.	Barley loan rates, except in the far Western States, will be as follows:
			Grade	Price per bushel
			No. 1	55
			No. 2	54
			No. 3	52
			No. 4	49
			No. 5	45
			Barley grading mixed will be discounted 2 cents a bushel. If barley is stored in warehouses, the storage charges must be prepaid by the producer or 7 cents per bushel will be deducted from the loan value by CCC to cover this expense.	
			Loans on barley stored in Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington will be made at a rate of 5 cents a bushel higher than the above.	

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Commodity	Method of support	Prospective duration of support	Market area, point or market at which support is established	Level at which prices are or will be supported, if support is necessary
Grain sorghums	Loans will be made by CCC at stated price levels.	Loans will be made on the 1942 crop and will mature on demand but not later than June 30, 1943.	Loans will be made to eligible producers throughout the United States on the security of: a warehouse receipt or on: the security of a chattel mortgage in the case of farm-stored grain sorghums	Grain sorghum loan rates will be as follows: Grade Price per bushel Cents No. 1 55 No. 2 53 No. 3 50 No. 4 45
			Mixed grades will be discounted at 2 cents per bushel.	
			If grain sorghum is stored in warehouses, the storage charges must be prepaid by the producer or 7 cents per bushel will be deducted from the loan value by CCC to cover this expense.	
Peanuts for oil	Purchases will be made by the South Western Peanut Growers Association. G.F.A. Peanut Association and the Peanut Growers Cooperative at indicated price levels. Losses incurred by these organizations when these peanuts	Prices will be supported through June 30, 1943.	Prices will be supported at approved local receiving agencies.	Prices will be supported at 85 percent of the comparable price as of the beginning of the marketing year (October 1), but in no event less than \$82 per ton for United States No. 1 White Spanish type peanuts, \$78 per ton for United States No. 1 Runner type peanuts, and \$70 per ton for United States Class A Virginia type peanuts delivered to an approved local receiving board. The support prices are average prices and will be adjusted for locational and seasonal differentials.

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Commodity	Method of support	Prospective duration of support	Market area, point or market at which support is established	Level at which prices are or will be supported, if support is necessary
<u>Peanuts</u>	are resold,			
<u>for oil</u>	will be absorb-			
1942 crop:	ed by the AMA			
(Contd.)	: with CCC funds.			
<u>Soybeans</u>	Prices will be	Purchases will be made	The program applies	The average price received by farm-
<u>for oil</u>	supported by	: through June 30, 1943.	: throughout the United	: ers will be supported by CCC pur-
	CCC purchases	: Loans will be available	: States. However, a high-	: chases at 85 percent of comparable
	or loans at an-	: through March 1, 1943 and	: oil-content area compris-	: prices which does not preclude local
	nounced levels.	: will mature on demand but	: ing North Dakota, South	: differentials from this level as of
		: not later than June 30,	: Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas,	: the beginning of the marketing year
		: 1943.	: Missouri, Kentucky, West	: (October 1) but in no event less
			: Virginia, Maryland, Dela-	: than the following prices:
			: ware, and all States	
			: north and east thereof	Classes 1 and 2 (green and yellow)
			: has been established with	High oil content \$1.60 bu.
			: in which approved varie-	Medium oil content .. \$1.50 "
			: ties are considered high-	Classes 3, 4 and 5 (brown, black
			: oil-content beans. Loans	and mixed)
			: will be made in areas	High oil content \$1.50 bu.
			: approved for farm stor-	Low oil content \$1.40 "
			: age to producers on beans	
			: produced in compliance	"To be eligible for purchase, the
			: with the AAA program.	: soybeans must be grade No. 4 or
				: better, must be produced in com-
				: pliance with the AAA program...
				: owned by the producer, and must not
				: be classed as weevily, musty, sour,
				: heating, or have objectionable
				: odors. Grades below No. 2 will be
				: purchased at the basis of discounts
				: generally recognized by the trade."
				: Prices will also be supported by
				: CCC loans in approved areas on beans

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Commodity	Method of support	Prospective duration of support	Market area, point or market at which support is established	Level at which prices are or will be supported, if support is necessary
<u>Soybeans</u>				
for oil				:of Grade 3 or better, of less than
(Contd.)				:14 percent moisture content at a
				:rate per bushel 5 cents above the
				:purchase rate for comparable classes
				:and grades in the area.
				: "A discount for soybeans grading
				:No. 3 will be 3 cents per bushel
				:less than the applicable base loan
				:rate.
				:
<u>Flaxseed</u>				:
	:CCC will make	:Prices will be supported	:Prices will be supported	:Loans for No. 1 flaxseed will be
	:loans to support	:through June 30, 1943.	:at terminal markets and	:made at the following rates per
	:flaxseed prices:		:local points at announced:	:bushel:
	:at designated		:values by loans based on	: \$2.40 at Minneapolis, St. Paul,
	:price levels.		:terminal market loan	:Duluth, Chicago, and Portland;
			:rates.	: \$2.45 at Los Angeles and San Fran-
				:cisco; and \$2.35 at Kansas City.
				: Loans for No. 2 will be discounted
				: 5 cents per bushel from the above.
				: Loans at local markets will be on
				:the basis of the above terminal rates
				:minus transportation costs and 4
				:cents per bushel for handling
				:charges.
				: If storage charges are not pre-
				:paid by the loanee for the loan
				:period a deduction of 6 cents per
				:bushel will be made.
				:
<u>Hogs</u>				:
	:Purchases of	:Hog prices will be sup-	:Purchases are made at	:The United States average price re-
	:pork will be	:ported through June 30,	:various shipping points	:ceived by farmers will be supported
	:made by AMA at	:1943.	:to maintain the desired	:at levels no lower than 85 percent
	:prices which		:average parity level to	:of parity. Current purchases can
	:will reflect a		:farmers.	:be considered to be on a procurement

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Hogs (Contd.)	price to farmers not lower than the stated level.			basis as they are being made at levels above the support level.
Potatoes	Prices will be supported at stated levels by relief and lend-lease purchases of the AMA, the Food Stamp program, or by diversion of potatoes to starch, live stock feed, and other products under the AMA programs or by loans or purchases of the CCC.	Presumably, prices will be supported through the 1942 marketing year.	Prices "...of potatoes of specified varieties will be supported in various States and areas for those growers who plant between 80 and 110 percent of their allotments. Differentials from these prices will be determined for other varieties, other producing locations, marketable potatoes containing 85 percent U. S. No. 1 grade unsacked potatoes, and other factors."	Potato prices will be supported at prices indicated in the attached table.

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Base prices for price support of potatoes during 1942 as announced March 4, 1942 1/

State	Area	Variety	: U.S. No.1 :				State	Area	Variety	: U.S. No.1 :			
			: sacked and :	: loaded :	: f.o.b. :	: carlots :				: sacked and :	: loaded :	: f.o.b. :	: carlots :
			Dol.per cwt.										
			: Late :										
Early Commercial:													
New Jersey	South Central	Cobbler	1.35				Maine	Aroostook	Green Mountain				1.25
Texas	Lower Rio						New York	Long Island	Green Mountain				1.45
Florida	Grande Valley	Bliss Triumph	2.50				New York	Long Island	Cobbler				1.35
Florida	South	Bliss Triumph	2.50				New York	Rochester	Round White				1.40
Alabama	North	Katahdin	2.10				Michigan	Cadillac	Round White				1.30
Louisiana	South	Bliss Triumph	1.60				Wisconsin	Waupaca	Round White				1.20
Louisiana	Houma	Bliss Triumph	1.60				Minnesota	Commercial					
Georgia	Savannah	Round White	1.60					: counties	Round White				1.00
South Carolina	Charleston	Round White	1.60				North Dakota	Red River					
North Carolina	Eastern	Round White	1.50					Valley	Round White				1.00
Virginia	Eastern	Round White	1.50				Nebraska	Western	Bliss Triumph				1.20
Maryland	Eastern Shore	Round White	1.50				Idaho	Idaho Falls					
Kentucky	Louisville	Round White	1.50					: and Twin					
Missouri	Orrick	Round White	1.25					Falls					1.15
Kansas	Kaw Valley	Round White	1.25				Wyoming	Eastern	Russet Burbank				1.15
Nebraska	Kearney	Bliss Triumph					Colorado	San Luis	Bliss Triumph				
		and Cobbler	1.25					Valley					1.20
California	Kern County	White Rose	1.15				Utah	Northern	Red McClure				1.10
							Washington		Russet Burbank				1.25
							Oregon	Yakima	Russet Burbank				1.25
							California	Klamath Falls	Russet Burbank				1.25
								Northern	Russet Burbank				1.25

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<u>Dry edible beans.</u>	Prices will be supported by direct AMA purchases from growers, associations of growers, or their agents on an offer and acceptance basis:	1942 crop The price-support program will operate through June 1943.	Support prices will apply to beans in bags, f.o.b. cars at country shipping points.	1942 crop AMA will support prices at the following levels for the following varietal types: pea and medium white, great northern, California small white pink and pinto at 85 percent of parity (September 1, 1942) and in no event less than \$4.75 per 100 lb. for U.S. No. 1 or \$4.60 per 100 lb. for United States No. 2 beans in bags f.o.b. cars at country shipping points.
<u>Dry peas</u>	Purchases will be made by AMA at designated levels.	Price supports will be continued through June 30, 1943.	Prices will be supported on an f.o.b. cars, country shipping-point basis for U.S. No. 1 peas and \$5.00 per hundredweight for U.S. No. 2 peas in bags, f.o.b. cars, country shipping points for the following varieties: of growers, their author-ized agents, or dealers. To the extent practicable, the peas will be bought from the 1942 production of growers cooperating in the AAA program."	Dry pea prices will be supported at not less than \$5.25 per hundredweight for U.S. No. 1 peas and \$5.00 per hundredweight for U.S. No. 2 peas in bags, f.o.b. cars, country shipping points for the following varieties: of growers, their author-ized agents, or dealers. To the extent practicable, the peas will be bought from the 1942 production of growers cooperating in the AAA program."
<u>Canning peas and tomatoes</u>	Prices for canning peas and canning tomatoes are supported on an:	Price support will be continued through December 31, 1942 for canning tomatoes and October 31, 1942 for canning peas.	Presumably, the commercial canning areas in the U.S. are covered by this support plan.	Levels at which prices will be maintained are as follows: AMA "...will purchase all quantities of 1942 canned tomatoes offered to it through December 31, 1942, and

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Canning				
peas and	indirect basis;			all quantities of 1942 canned peas
tomatoes	that is, defin-			offered to it through October 31,
(Contd.)	ite price mini-			1942 at base prices of:
	imums are as-			(a) \$1.10 per dozen No. 2 cans,
	sured process-			Alaskas or sweets, f.o.b. can-
	ors (by AMA) for:			nery, for U.S. grade C canned
	their pack if			peas.
	they pay stated:			(b) \$0.95 per dozen No. 2 cans,
	increases over			f.o.b. cannery for U.S. grade
	1940 in prices			C canned tomatoes.
	to growers."			...provided that the canner making
				the...offer has been certified by
				the USDA State Defense Board as hav-
				ing agreed by contract with growers
				to pay at least the minimum price
				applying to their particular local-
				ity. Such minimum prices to growers
				shall be not less than \$17.50 per
				ton in the case of peas for canning
				over the comparable average 1940
				prices found by the State Defense
				Board to have been paid to growers
				in its State or areas within the
				State."
				: Originally tomato processors had
				: been required to pay a minimum price
				: to growers of \$5.00 per ton over
				: comparable 1940 prices. This has
				: been modified, due to local differ-
				: ences in the increases in costs to
				: tomato growers, so that the follow-
				: ing minimum prices to growers must
				: be paid by processors to be eligible
				: to sell their canned tomatoes to AMA.

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				: Minimum : price to : growers : per ton : Dol.
				: Washington, Idaho and Utah : 16.50
				: Colorado, New Mexico, Texas:
				: Louisiana, Mississippi,
				: Alabama, Georgia, North
				: Carolina, South Carolina :
				: and Florida: 17.00
				: Iowa, Missouri, Oklahoma, :
				: Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana:
				: Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin, :
				: West Virginia, Kentucky and:
				: Tennessee: 17.50
				: California: 18.50
				: New York and Pennsylvania ..: 19.00
				: Virginia: 20.00
				: Delaware and Maryland: 21.00
				: New Jersey: 22.00
				:
				: The defense boards will also recom-
				: mend fair prices to be paid by
				: processors of tomato products which
				: will be comparable to prices sup-
				: ported for canning tomatoes.

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Commodity	Method of support	Prospective duration of support	Market area, point or market at which support is established	Level at which prices are or will be supported, if support is necessary
Other	Prices will be	This type of support will	Details are still being	Ceiling prices for canned vegetables
canning	supported by	probably continue as long	worked out, but presumably the support and	sold by processors will include average increases for costs of raw
vegetables	Direct AMA purchase	as the maximum price	ceilings will apply to	materials in the particular area
Lima beans	chases from	ceilings remain in effect	all commercial processing	prior to May 4 and an 8-percent increase for increased labor and other
snapbeans	canners at levels indicated		of the specified vegetables	costs since the first 2 months of
beets,	in the last			the 1941 processing year for the
(sweet)	column.			particular vegetable under consideration. AMA will support prices to
corn,				processors at 92 percent of the ceiling prices; hence, processors are
carrots,				guaranteed 92 percent of increased
peas,				payments for raw vegetables. However, when a processor's increased
spinach,				payments for labor, raw materials
pumpkin,				(raw vegetables) vary from the amount
squash,				included for these items in the ceiling prices the guaranteed recovery of
tomatoes,				increased expenditures is correspondingly increased or decreased from 92
and tomato-				percent.
to juice				Prices of peas and tomatoes
				processed by producers who have met
				the requirements listed in the preceding section will be supported at
				the prices indicated in that section
				For processors who have not been
				certified to the State Defense Boards
				or having met these requirements,
				support prices will be 92 percent of
				their individual ceiling prices computed in accordance with Maximum
				Price Regulation No. 152."

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Miscellaneous	Purchasers of Austrian winter peas, hairy vetch, Willamette vetch, crimson clover and ryegrass seed will be made by CCC at stated price levels. Later these seeds will be transferred to AAA who will offer them to southern and east central farms in lieu of A.C.P. payments.	Prices will be supported through the 1942 marketing season.	Prices will be supported, presumably, in the principal producing region, Willamette Valley, Oregon, where producers pledged a 50-percent expansion in acreage. Some seed, for which the price will also be supported, is also produced in Washington, California, Idaho, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Michigan.	All purchases will be on the basis of recleaned, fumigated seed, delivered to designated handlers in cotton bags of approved quality." Varieties included in the purchase program and basic prices to be offered for top grades follow:
Cover crop seeds				
			Variety	Price per pound
				Cents
			Austrian winter peas	5.
			Hairy vetch	10.
			Willamette vetch	6.5
			Common vetch	5.
			Crimson clover	10.
			East of Mississippi	
			River	11.5
			Ryegrass	5.
Gum naval stores	CCC will make loans at stated price levels through the American Turpentine Farmers Association Cooperative of Valdosta, Ga. to producers who comply with the 1942 naval stores conservation program of the AAA which is administered by the United States Forest Service.	Loans will be available from January 1 to December 31, 1942.	Loans will be made through the American Turpentine Farmers Association Cooperative of Valdosta, Ga. to producers who comply with the 1942 naval stores conservation program of the AAA which is administered by the United States Forest Service.	The 1942 loan value on turpentine will be 55 cents per bulk gallon. The loan rates on rosin range from \$2.80 per 100 pounds net for G grade rosin to \$3.25 per 100 pounds net for WW and X grades of rosin, with appropriate differentials for intermediate grades and will average \$3.05 per 100 pounds net. This rate is approximately 85 percent of parity. Naval stores on which loan are made must be stored by approved warehousemen at strategic interior

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Gum naval stores (Contd.)				: end port points" and be above grade : G. Oleoresin stored at approved : central distillation plants will : also be eligible for loans. : Loans will bear interest at 3 per- : cent per annum. : During the 1942 marketing season : sales of Government-held 1940-41 : stocks made through regular channels : will be made at not less than parity.
Hemp seed:	The CCC is con-	Contracts to purchase	Prices will be paid, pre-	Hemp seed will be purchased at the
	:tracting to	:hemp seed are applicable	:sumably, on an at-farm	:contract price of \$8 per bushel of
	:purchase hemp	:to the 1942 crop.	:basis.	:44 pounds. CCC also purchases the
	:seed from the			:seed to be planted by farmers
	:1942 crop. This:			:agreeing to sell their 1942 crop to
	:seed will be			:the corporation.
	:used for fiber			
	:plantings in			
	:1943. CCC also:			
	:purchases the			
	:seed to be			
	:planted by			
	:farmers agree-			
	:ing to sell			
	:their 1942 crop:			
	:to the			
	:corporation.			
Castor	Prices of the	Purchases will be made	"Producers will be re-	Purchases will be made at 4 cents
beans for:	1941 crop of	:from the 1942 crop.	:quired to make delivery	:per pound for mature dry castor beans
seed	:castor beans		:of castor beans in the	:in the hull on the basis of 70 percent
	:will be sup-		:hull to delivery points	:shelling weight.
	:ported at a		:in the areas to be desig-	
	:stated price		:nated by the County	

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Castor beans for seed (Contd.)	level by direct purchase of the CCC which will be made to increase the available seed supply in 1943.		Agricultural Conservation Committee. "To be eligible seed must have been planted, cultivated and the castor beans in the hull harvested under the supervision of the AAA and the BPI by growers who have been certified by a County Agricultural Conservation Committee."	
Dried fruit	Prices will be supported by AMA purchases at stated price levels.	Price supports will apply to the 1942 pack of dried fruit.	Prices will be supported in the Pacific Coast States. Presumably, the support will apply to all commercial production.	Purchases of the natural-condition dried prunes and raisins meeting AMA specifications will be made at the following rough average prices per ton: Raisins \$105 and prunes \$135. More specifically, these prices are: Raisins - Sultanas \$100 per ton, Thompsons and Muscats \$105, Golden Bleached Thompsons \$123; Prunes - California Three District (Santa Clara) 5-3/4 cents per pound basis, California "outside" Districts 5-1/2 cents per pound basis, Northwest prunes about 1/4 cent per pound under the price for California "outside" District fruit of comparable size. "Government purchases of the packed dried fruits from processors will be made at prices that are comparable with those received by growers plus a reasonable margin for handling, processing, packing and shipping."
Raisins, prunes, apples, apricots, peaches, and pears				

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